Complete listing of the claims

1 – 5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding or complementary to a sequence encoding an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10 or having at least about [[45%]] 89% or greater identity to SEQ ID NO:10 wherein said amino acid sequence is characterized by the ability to induce apoptosis.

7. (previously presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:9 or capable of hybridising to SEQ ID NO: 9 under moderate stringency conditions wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes a polypeptide characterized by the ability to induce apoptosis.

8. (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to claim 7 which further encodes an amino acid sequence corresponding to an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10 or having at least about [[45%]] 89% or greater identity to SEQ ID NO:10.

9. (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to claim 7 [[of]] comprising SEQ ID NO:9.

10 – 14. (canceled)

15. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10 or a sequence having at least about [[45%]] 89% identity to SEQ ID NO:10, wherein said polypeptide is characterized by the ability to induce apoptosis.

16. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide according to claim 15 encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID:9 or a nucleotide sequence capable of hydrizing to SEQ ID NO:9 under moderate stringency conditions.

17. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide according to claim 16 further comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:10 or a sequence having at least about [[45%]] 89% identity to SEQ ID NO:10.

18. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide according to claim 16 having SEQ ID NO:10.

19. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide according to claim 15 in heterodimeric form.

20. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide according to claim 15 in homodimeric form.

21. (currently amended) A variant of an isolated nucleic acid molecule as claimed in claim 6 comprising one or more nucleotide mutations in said nucleic acid molecule resulting in at least one amino acid addition, substitution and/or deletion to the polypeptide encoded by said variant, which amino acid addition, substitution and/or deletion is in the region defined by amino acid residue numbers 42 to 131, wherein said polypeptide cannot bind, couple or otherwise associate with a dynein light chain and wherein said polypeptide is characterized by the ability to induce apoptosis.

22 – 28. (canceled)

29. (withdrawn) A variant of an isolated polypeptide as claimed in claim 15 comprising at least one amino acid addition, substitution, and/or deletion, which amino acid addition, substitution and/or deletion is in the region defined by amino acid residue numbers 42 to 131, wherein said variant cannot bind, couple or otherwise associate with the dynein light chain.

30. (withdrawn) A variant according to claim 29 wherein said amino acid addition, substitution and/or deletion occurs in the region of the polypeptide chain which binds the dynein light chain.

31 – 61. (canceled)